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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D. C. 20554 MAR 4 1998

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OFFICE OF MANAGING DIRECTOR

Ms. Helen C. Supinski Chief Executive Officer My-Key Broadcasting, Inc. 80 East Chestnut Street Washington, PA 15301

> Re: Request for Reduction of FY 1997 Regulatory Fee Fee Control # 9709188835366009 Fee Paid: \$1,400

Dear Ms. Supinski:

This is in response to your request for a reduction of the Fiscal Year (FY) 1997 regulatory fee for Radio Station WKZV, Washington, Pennsylvania, licensed to My-Key Broadcasting, Incorporated. Radio Station WKZV paid an FY 1997 regulatory fee of \$1,400. Its FY 1998 fee is only \$600. You request that we reduce the FY 1997 regulatory fee and grant WKZV a partial refund of the fee.

Congress established the total amount of fees that we were to collect for all services for FY 1997 and our fee schedule was formulated to spread the burden of the total fee requirement equitably among the various categories of fee payers, including broadcast licensees. The FY 1997 regulatory fees for all radio stations were derived by calculating the populations within the interference free contour of each individual station, which is their daytime protected service contour and extends to areas outside of a licensee's primary service area. Consequently, as a matter of equity, recalculating a station's fee using a different formula or a different service contour for measuring population, would require recalculating the service areas, populations, and fees, at a minimum, for all radio broadcast stations, in order to insure the Commission's ability to collect the required amount in fees and that all licensees are treated fairly.

The regulatory fee schedule as adopted by Congress, initially assessed radio fees based solely on the class station, irrespective of the areas or populations covered. The Commission developed the FY 1997 formula using both class of station and service area served, in an attempt to make the schedule more fair and equitable. We were aware of complaints by licensees concerning the equity of the FY 1997 fee schedule, and we modified the formula in developing the FY 1998 fee schedule to base fee on each station city grade signal contour. However, the interference free contour is appropriate in formulating the methodology for calculating the FY 1997 regulatory fees because

that contour represents the area in which listeners receive the station's protected signal. Thus, the Commission will not reduce, on an ad hoc basis, an individual station's regulatory fee solely because the licensee's FY 1998 fee is lower than its FY 1997 fee. Accordingly, the request for reduction of your regulatory fee is denied.

If you have any questions concerning the regulatory fees, please call the Chief, Fee Section at (202) 418-1995.

Sincerely,

Mark Reger

Chief Financial Officer

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80 East Chestnut Street Washington, PA 15301 (412) 228-6678

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Office of the Managing Director

RE: REGULATORY FEE WAIVER/REDUCTION REQUEST

Enclosed is a copy of the FCC FORM 159 "FCC REMITTANCE ADVICE" of 1997.

This is a reduction request to lower the regulatory fee of 1997 and a possible refund of an adjusted cost .

Also enclosed is a copy of the FCC FORM 159 of 1998.

This correction will be appreciated.

THANK YOU !

Sincerely,

HELEN C. SUPINSKI CEO

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